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For: COMBINATION OF LACTIC ACID BACTERIA AND ITS USE FOR THE  
PREVENTION AND/OR TREATMENT OF INFECTIONS AND INFLAMMATORY  
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**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: